THE HON'BLE SRI JUSTICE N.V. RAMANA

Writ Petition No. 25070 of 1998

Dated: 20.06.2007

Between:

K. Shobha Rani and another.

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PETITIONERS

AND

The Managing Director, APSRTC, Musheerabad, Hyderabad and another.

.....RESPONDENTS

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ORDER:

Aggrieved by the action of the respondents in rejecting the case of the petitioners for appointment to the post of lady conductors on the ground that they are short by 2 ½ and 1 cms., respectively as against the required height of 153 cms, the petitioners filed the present writ petition.

Heard the learned counsel for the petitioners and the learned Standing Counsel for the respondents-APSRTC.

As per the recruitment regulations the height prescribed for the post of lady Conductor is 153 cms, and admittedly, the petitioners do not fulfil the minimum height prescribed for the post of women conductor, and they are short by 2 ½ cms and 1 cms., respectively. This Court in W.P. No.359 of 1998 considered similar issue, and by order dated 23.01.2006, while dismissing the writ petition, held that when an Expert Committee examined the matter and recommended to continue the existing minimum height of 153 Cms, this Court, having no expertise to examine the physical requirements for appointment to the post of Women Conductor, cannot interfere in the matter and take a different view than that of the Expert Committee. Since the petitioners do not fulfil the minimum height prescribed for the post of lady Conductors, in that, they are short by 2 ½ cms and 1 cms., the respondents rejected their case for appointment to the post of lady Conductors, and no exception can be taken thereto.

The writ petition is devoid of merit and the same is accordingly dismissed. No costs.

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N.V.RAMANA, J.

Date:20.06.2007

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